

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 24, 2020

### **Daily COVID-19 Update for Montgomery County**

Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, can sadly confirm five additional deaths related to COVID-19.

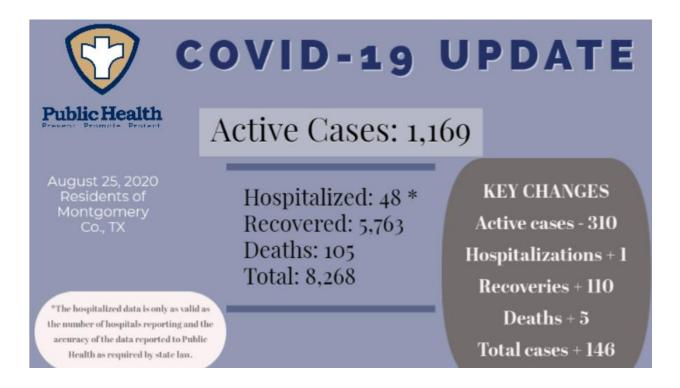
- A man in his 60s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A woman in her 70s, from Porter, died in hospice care. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A woman in her 70s, from The Woodlands, died in hospice care. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A woman in her 80s, from Conroe, died in hospice care. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
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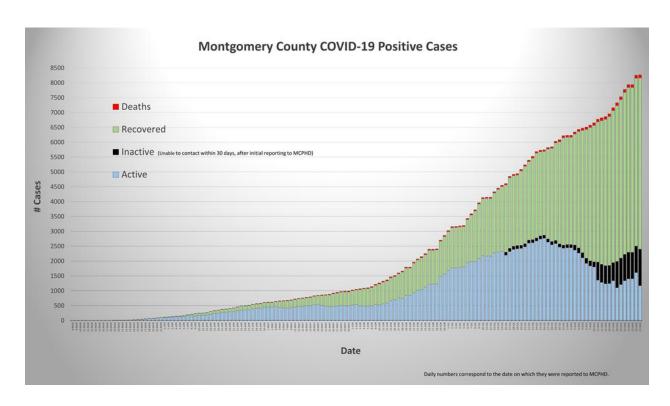
We offer our condolences to all five families at this difficult time.

#### We can also confirm:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 146 to 8,268 since yesterday's report.
  - We are continuing to process cases that were reported to The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) directly by healthcare providers and entered into the National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS), run by the CDC. Out of the 146 new total cases since yesterday's report, 94 (from the NEDSS system) tested positive prior to August 11th. See additional information here: <a href="https://www.texastribune.org/2020/08/14/texas-coronavirus-testing-dshs/">https://www.texastribune.org/2020/08/14/texas-coronavirus-testing-dshs/</a>.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 310 to 1,169 since yesterday's report. On Tuesdays, we factor in additional cases we have been unable to contact for more than 30 days. That represents 341 additional "inactive" cases today.
- 48 residents are known to be in the hospital, as a result of contact investigations. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.
- 5,763 people have clinically recovered.

Have questions? Please go to <a href="https://mcphd-tx.org/">https://mcphd-tx.org/</a> and scroll down to the FAQs.







# COVID-19 UPDATE

# PATIENTS HOSPITALIZED IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Updated August 25 @ 2pm: Numbers reflect county and non-county residents.

\*Data represented in this graph is provided by SETRAC, as reported by hospitals in Montgomery County, Texas only. Only confirmed COVID-19 patients are included, regardless of residence. For more info: setrae.org. Total Hospitalized: 86 (decrease of 1) ICU: 29

General/Isolation: 57

You can find more information on the SETRAC website, setrac.org.

Take steps to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

- Consider staying home unless it is necessary to leave your home.
- Avoid groups of people.
- Practice social distancing.
- Wear a mask (if it is necessary to leave your home).
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.

You can view the list of case-by-case updates on the MCPHD website here: <a href="https://mcphd-tx.org/coronavirus-covid-19/confirmed-cases/">https://mcphd-tx.org/coronavirus-covid-19/confirmed-cases/</a>. You can refer to the dashboard here: <a href="https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/">https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/</a>.

Just a reminder, online registration is now available for COVID-19 testing through the MCPHD/MCHD voucher program. Click on "Need to be tested?" on mchd-tx.org or mcphd-tx.org and follow the instructions. The COVID-19 Call Center's number is 936-523-3916. It is normally open Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm. This week, it will be closed Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> to allow The Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management to focus on Hurricane Laura.

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